

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN KARL WAITSCHIES**, on March 12, 2003 at 3 P.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Karl Waitschies, Chairman (R)
Rep. Sylvia Bookout-Reinicke, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Dave Gallik, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Joe Balyeat (R)
Rep. Bob Bergren (D)
Rep. Ronald Devlin (R)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Bernie Olson (R)
Rep. Allen Rome (R)
Rep. Donald Steinbeisser (R)
Rep. Bill Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Frank Smith (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch
Pati O'Reilly, Committee Secretary

Please Note. These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 102, SB 107, 3/6/2003
Executive Action: SB 83, SB 107, SB 102, SB 118

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 83

Motion/Vote: REP. ROME moved that SB 83 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried 11-2 with REPS. GALLIK and WILSON voting no. Roll call vote.

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HEARING ON SB 102

Sponsor: SENATOR WALT McNUTT, SD 50

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SENATOR WALT McNUTT introduced SB 102. This is a very simple bill that changes the terms of state airport leases from 10 years to 40 years.

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Proponents' Testimony:

Jim Currie, Montana Department of Transportation. The agency needs this change in order to negotiate longer leases on state-owned airports.

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Bob Gilbert, Montana Aviation Trades Association. The Aviation Association supports this bill.

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Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

SENATOR McNUTT closed SB 102. REP. WAITSCHIES will carry the bill on the House floor upon passage.

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HEARING ON SB 107

Sponsor: SENATOR GLEN ROUSH, SD 43

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SENATOR ROUSH introduced SB 107. SB 107 calls for an increase in the junk vehicle fee and would allow the counties to have the funds to clean up the junk vehicles.

EXHIBIT(trh52a01)

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Proponents' Testimony:

John Dillard, Department of Environmental Quality, explained the need for the additional fees. He explained the revenue sources that are used to fund the junk vehicle program.

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Karen Salo, Toole County Sanitation Officer. Toole County does not have the funds to operate the junk vehicle program and this would solve their problem.

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Terry Murphy, Lake County Commissioner. The Commissioners support this bill.

EXHIBIT(trh52a02)

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Harold Blattie, MACo, said the counties rise in support of SB 107.

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Jim Dusenberry, Montana Tow Truck Association supports this legislation.

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Bob Gilbert, Rosebud County, the City of Colstrip, Montana Tow Truck Association and Montana Recyclers supports this bill.

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Grant Powell, Deer Lodge County Commissioners expressed their support of this legislation.

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Mary Allen, Granite, Powell and Anaconda Counties are in support of this bill.

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Dennis J. Snow, Director, Eastern Montana Junk Vehicle Division submitted written testimony

EXHIBIT(trh52a03)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REPS. BOOKOUT-REINECKE, DEVLIN, BALLYEAT, GALLIK and OLSON questioned Mr. Dillard.

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Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. ROUSH closed SB 107. REP. BRUEGGEMAN will carry this bill on the floor.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 118

Motion/Vote: REP. ROME moved that SB 118 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously. REP. DEVLIN will carry this bill on the House floor.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 102

Motion/Vote: REP. DEVLIN moved that SB 102 BE CONCURRED IN.
Motion carried unanimously. Place on Consent Calendar.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 107

Motion: REP. GOLIE moved that SB 107 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion/Vote: REP. BALYEAT moved that SB 107 BE AMENDED. Motion failed 2-11 with REPS. BALYEAT and WILSON voting aye.

Motion/Vote: REP. KEANE moved that SB 107 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion passed 11-2 with REPS. BALYEAT and WILSON voting no.

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:35 P.M.

REP. KARL WAITSCHIES, Chairman

PATI O'REILLY, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (trh52aad)